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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT application of

Eric H. BOCH et al.

Serial No. 09/174,002

Filed: October 16, 1998

For: CELLULAR BASE

STATION WITH INTEGRATED MULTIPONT
RADIO ACCESS AND INTERCELL LINKING

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) Art Unit: 2732
) Examiner: Nguyen, P.
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) McLean, Virginia
) January 16, 2001

AMENDMENTHonorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of September 13, 2000, a Petition for One Month Extension of Time being filed herewith (one month being sufficient as January 13, 2001 was a Saturday and January 15, 2001 was a holiday), please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

(As renumbered in the last Examiner Action.)

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Sub P1
1 26. (Amended) An interface system at a base station in a cell within a cellular
2 wireless network for providing bi-directional wireless communications to Network Interface
3 Units [Unite] (NIUs) within the cell and for providing a point to point direct inter-cell radio
4 link for communicating with a base station in a neighboring cell comprising; a multi-services
5 switch equipped with a first one or more radio interface card for providing wireless
6 communications between the base station and the NIUs and a second one or more interface
7 card for providing the direct inter-cell radio link.

Sub P2
1 34. (Amended) A base station in a cell of a cellular, wireless communications
2 network for providing wireless, bi-directional communication with network interface units
3 (NIUs) within the cell and for providing a point to point direct inter-cell radio link with a